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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of: Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned JARVI, et al. Examiner: Not yet assigned Serial No.: Not yet assigned **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** Filed: Herewith I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS EXPRESS MAIL IN AN Atty. File No.: 1593 WO/US ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, PO BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450 ON JUNE 3, 2005. Synthesis of Heteroaryl Acetamides Title: arbara a. Kresch BARBARA A. KŔĨSCH

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

For entry into the U.S. National Stage from the PCT, the above-identified national stage application is concurrently being amended as follows. Claims 2-5, 8-10, 12-13, 15-16, 18-26, 28-29, 31-34, 38-40, 43, 45-46, and 48-49 are not being entered and are therefore cancelled from examination, claims 52 and 53 are being added, and Claims 11, 14, 17, 27, 30, 41, 44, 47, and 50 are being amended. Accordingly, 19 claims (Claims 1, 6, 7, 11, 14, 17, 27, 30, 35-37, 41, 42, 44, 47, and 50-53 are initially being presented for examination. Of those 19 claims, only three (Claims 1, 7 and 35) are independent. Thus, no filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16(h) & (i) are believed to be due.

The above-mentioned revisions of the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which may be found on pages 2-7 of this correspondence.

It is believed that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early notice of allowance is hereby requested. Should the Office believe that a telephone conference would expedite allowance the Office is invited to contact the undersigned at (314) 654-3939.

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